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## Amendments to the Specification:

Please cancel the previous abstract of the disclosure and replace it with the following rewritten abstract of the disclosure:

--Two connector printed circuit boards with electrical connections are mounted on opposite sides of a mid-plane printed circuit board at angles to each other. Via holes are positioned on the faces of the mid-plane board according to one of two schemes. In the first scheme, the via holes are positioned along an axis perpendicular to an axis that bisects the angle of misalignment of the connector boards, and the via holes are equidistant from a point on the axis that bisects the angle of misalignment of the connector boards. In the second scheme, the via holes are positioned along an axis that bisects the angle of misalignment of the connector boards, and the via holes are equidistant from the electrical connections.--